

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of

Stephen D. WOLPE, et al

Serial No. 08/832,443

Filed April 3, 1997

For: INHIBITOR OF STEM CELL PROLIFERATION
AND USES THEREOF



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Group 1642

Examiner: Reeves, J

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March 4, 1999

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated September 4, 1998, the applicants elect, with traverse, the invention of Group VIII (claims 47-52), in part, drawn to a method of stimulating stem cell proliferation comprising contacting hematopoietic cells with INPROL. The Examiner has indicated at page 5 of the Action that these claims will be examined to the extent they read on administration of an INPROL peptide in the absence of an opiate compound. (The Examiner's clarification that "Group XVII" at page 5, line 6 of the Action should perhaps have been "Group XVIII" in a teleconference of March 4, 1999, is acknowledged, with appreciation.) The Action

Action and request clarification of the election requirement in the Examiner's next Action. The

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stimulating stem cell proliferation comprising contacting" As it is not certain what part of the claim should be amended in the Patent Office copy, further clarification is requested so the applicants may take appropriate action.

An early and favorable action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

Fees are attached as calculated below:

Total effective claims after amendment	0	minus highest number		
previously paid for	(at least 20) =	0 x \$ 18.00	\$	0.00
Independent claims after amendment	0	minus highest number		
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